

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Group Art Unit: 2833 Examiner: Ross N. Gushi

**RESPONSE TO** 

RESTRICTION

REQUIREMENT

Re PATENT APPLICATION of:

Applicant(s): Joseph Kuczynski et al.

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For:

LAND GRID ARRAY (LGA) INTERPOSER

WITH ADHESIVE-RETAINED CONTACTS

AND METHOD OF MANUFACTURE

Docket No.: ROC920040017US1/IBM 229

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Responsive to the Restriction Requirement dated March 3, 2005, Applicants elect the invention of Group I, i.e., the subject matter of claims 1-9 and 17-20, for further examination. Applicants further elect the species of at least group 4. At least claims 1, 2, 3, 10, 17 and 18 read on the elected species. The elections are made with traverse.

The Examiner's attention is respectfully directed to MPEP § 803, which specifically states that if the search and examination of the entire application can be made without serious burden, the Examiner must examine the entire application on the merits, even though it includes claims to independent or distinct inventions. It is submitted that examination of the entire application would not constitute a serious burden on the part of the Examiner, since, for example, the Examiner should search the subject matter of the claims of Group II when searching the subject matter of Group I. That is, there is overlap between the claims of Group I and Group II. Thus, in order to examine the elected claims completely, the Examiner should search the subject matter of claims 1-20. It is thus requested that the Examiner examine all of the claims pending in the application.

Examination of the application on the merits is respectfully requested.

Should any fee be required, however, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the fee to IBM Corporation Deposit Account No. 09-0465 and notify us accordingly.

March 31, 2005

Date

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